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Re: MDL-1456 -- In re Pharmaceutical Industry Average Wholesale Price Litigation

County of Rockland v. Abbott Laboratories, Inc., et al., S.D. New York, C.A. No. 7:03-7055

Dear Mr. Anastas:

I am enclosing one certified and additional copies of a conditional transfer order filed by the Panel in the above-captioned action on October 10, 2003. Section 1407 requires that the transferee clerk "...transmit a certified copy of the Panel's order to transfer to the clerk of the district court from which the action is being transferred." As stipulated in Rule 7.4(a) of the Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), transmittal of the order has been stayed 15 days to give any party an opportunity to oppose the transfer if they wish to do so. The 15-day period has now elapsed, no opposition was received, and the order is directed to you for filing.

A list of involved counsel is attached.

Very truly,

Michael J. Beck

By

Clerk of the/Panel

Deputy Clerk

Attachment

Transferee Judge:

Judge Patti B. Saris

Transferor Judge:

Judge Stephen C. Robinson

Transferor Clerk:

J. Michael McMahon

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IN RE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE LITIGATION

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CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER (CTO-15)

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It appears that the actions on this conditional transfer order involve questions of fact which are common to the actions previously transferred to the District of Massachusetts and assigned to Judge Saris.

Pursuant to Rule 7.4 of the <u>Rules of Procedure of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation</u>, 199 F.R.D. 425, 435-36 (2001), these actions are transferred under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 to the District of Massachusetts for the reasons stated in the order of April 30, 2002, 201 F.Supp.2d 1378 (J.P.M.L. 2002), and, with the consent of that court, assigned to the Honorable Patti B. Saris.

This order does not become effective until it is filed in the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. The transmittal of this order to said Clerk shall be stayed fifteen (15) days from the entry thereof and if any party files a notice of opposition with the Clerk of the Panel within this fifteen (15) day period, the stay will be continued until further order of the Panel.

FOR THE PANEL:

Inasmuch as no objection is pending at this time, the stay is lifted.

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